

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2139 - HB 2176

February 25, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Removes the requirement that an individual present a photo ID to vote during early voting and on Election Day. Requires comparison of the voter's signature on the application for ballot to some form of evidence of identification, such as a valid voter registration certificate, Tennessee driver license, Social Security card, credit card bearing the applicant's signature, or other document bearing the applicant's signature. Requires the voter to sign an affidavit of identity prior to voting if the voter is unable to present evidence of identification.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures - \$5,800

Assumptions:

- The language of the bill restores procedures that were in place prior to the implementation of the photo ID requirement.
- According to the Department of Safety and Homeland Security, there will be a \$5,775 (2,100 photos x \$2.75 each) reduction in state expenditures resulting from removal of the free photo ID requirement.
- Any increase in local expenditures can be accommodated within the normal course of business without an increase in personnel or a reduction in other budget items.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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